



# **AFOSR Perspective on Integrating Analysis Tools**

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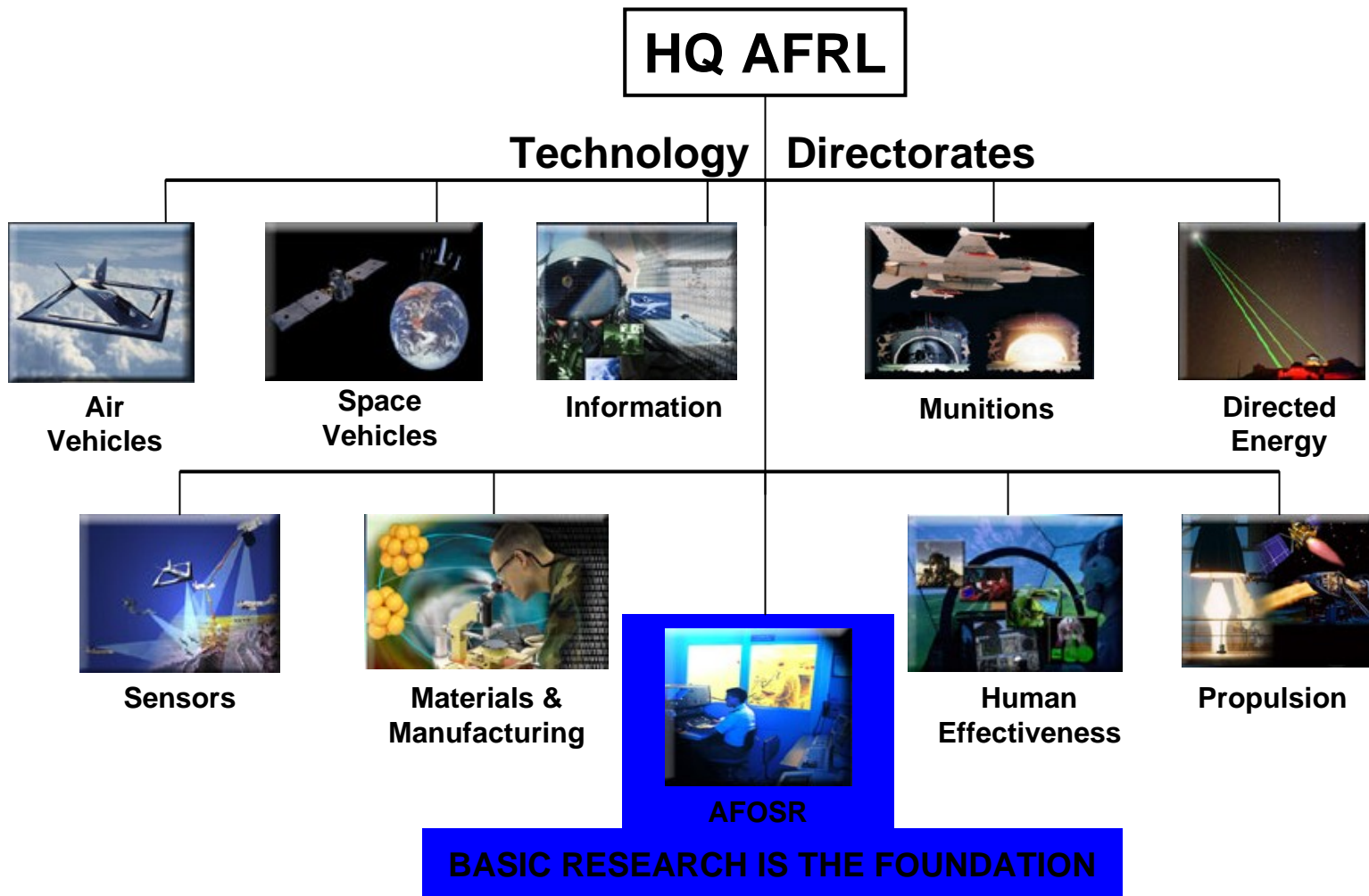
# Presentation Outline



- **Brief overview of AFOSR**
- **Integration of Analysis Tools**
  - **Benefits**
  - **Methodology**
- **Future directions/emphasis**



# Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL)



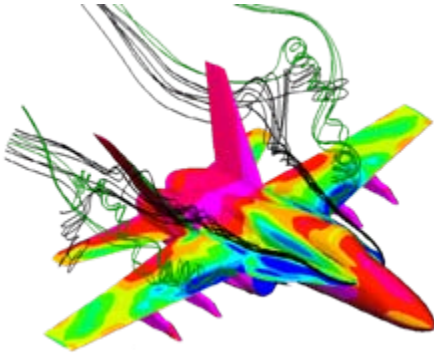
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# AFOSR Basic Research Areas

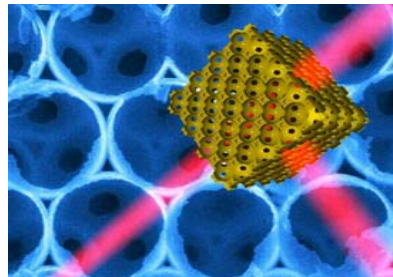


## ***Aerospace, Chemical & Materials Sciences (NA)***



- Structural Mechanics
- Materials
- Chemistry
- Fluid Mechanics
- Propulsion

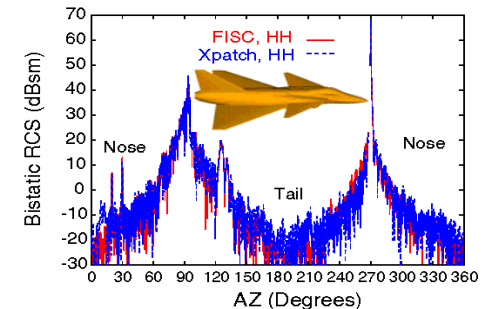
## ***Physics & Electronics (NE)***



## **Sub-thrusts**

- Physics
- Electronics
- Space Sciences
- Applied Math

## ***Mathematics, Information & Life Sciences (NL)***



- Info Sciences
- Human Cognition
- Mathematics
- Bio Sciences

## **Areas of Enhanced Emphasis**

- Information Sciences
- Mixed-Initiative Decision Making
- Adversarial Behavior Modeling
- Novel Energy Technology
- Micro Air Vehicles
- Nanotechnology



# UNSTEADY & ROTATING FLOWS



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## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PORTFOLIO:**

**Advance fundamental understanding of complex time dependent flows, their interactions & control; develop physically-based models & novel concepts**

## **SUB-AREAS IN PORTFOLIO:**

- **Active flow control effectors**
- **Low Reynolds number / Micro Air Vehicle aerodynamics**
- **Shear layers and vortex flows**
- **Micro-fluidics**

## **TECHNICAL APPROACH PRIORITIES:**

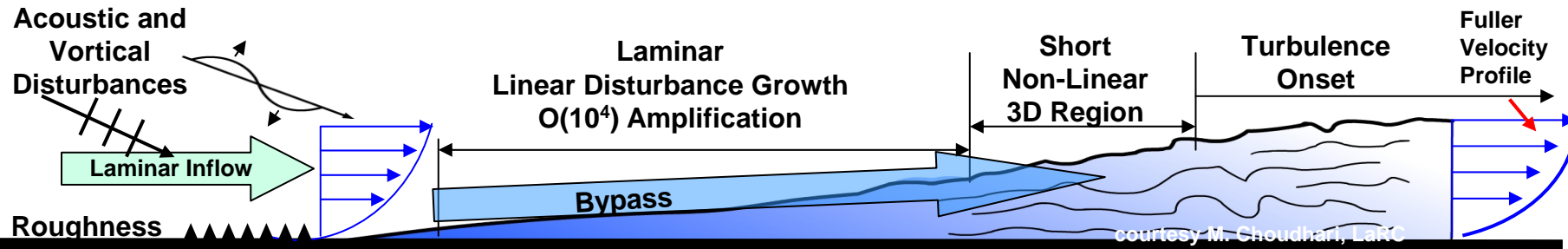
- **Integrated theoretical, numerical & experimental tools**
- **Multi-disciplinary innovation**
- **Technology transition**



# The Science of Laminar to Turbulent Transition



## AFOSR-Sponsored Research Explores the Fundamental Physics of Transition

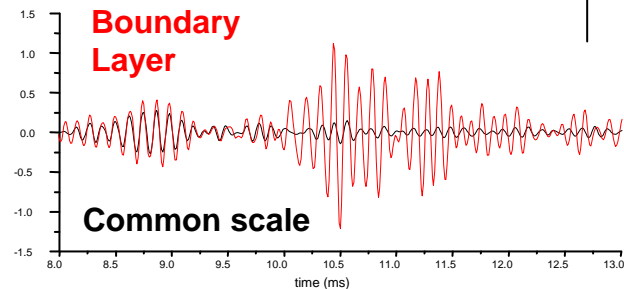


### Receptivity

Freestream

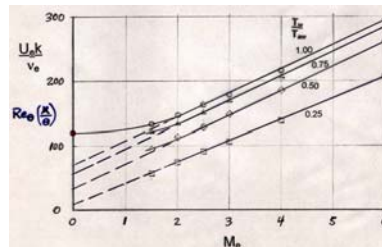
Boundary Layer

Common scale



Receptivity Measurements  
G. Brown, Princeton

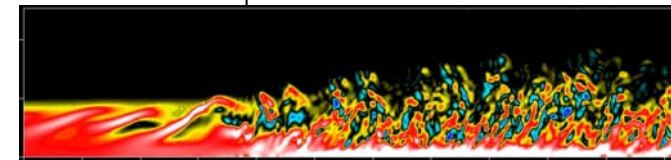
### Stability Theory Transient Growth



Transient Growth Theory  
Development – E. Reshotko, CWRU

### Nonlinear Interactions

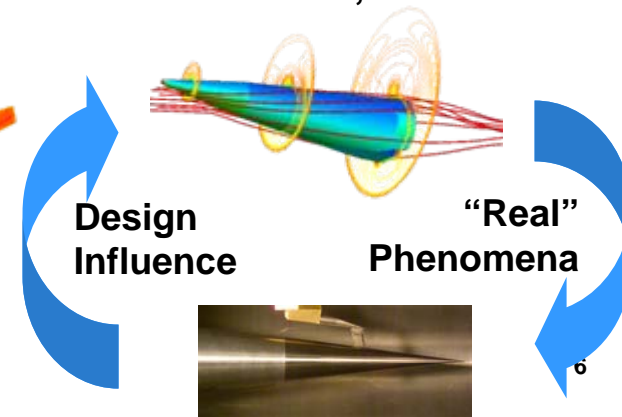
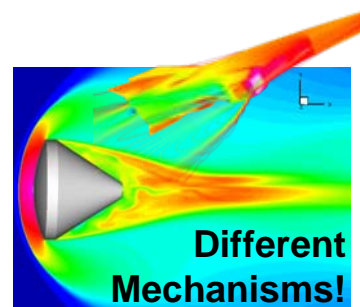
### Turbulence Modeling



Direct Numerical Simulation of  
Breakdown - H. Fasel, U. of Arizona

### Stability Theory Methods (15% of core):

- Analysis of relevant configurations helps identify which mechanisms are most critical
- Major opportunity to transition methods to industry and advanced programs

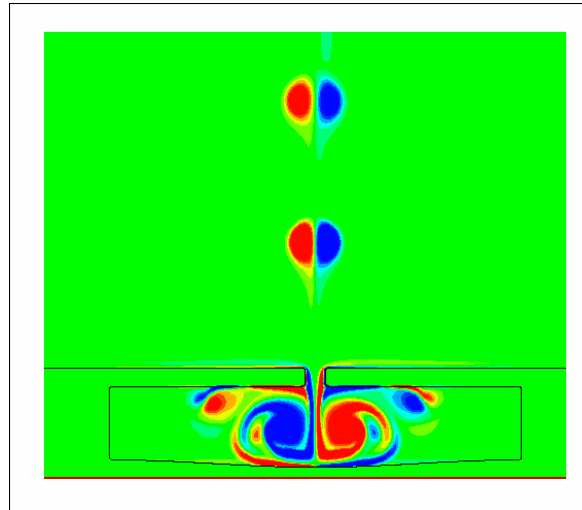




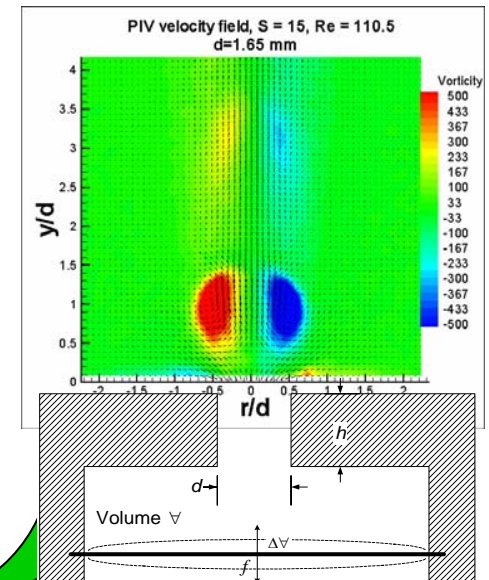


# Integrated Analysis Tools

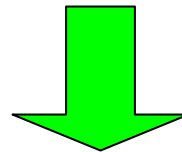
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EFD

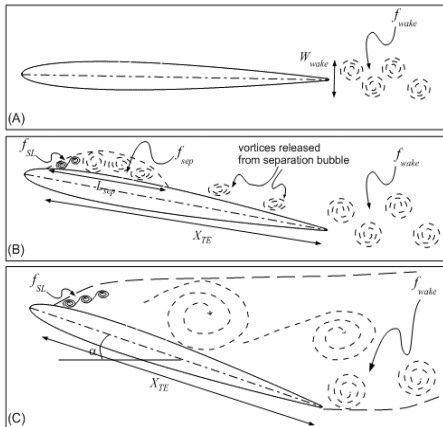


Numerical



IFD

TFD



Theoretical

Experimental





# Integrated Fluid Dynamics (IFD): Benefits



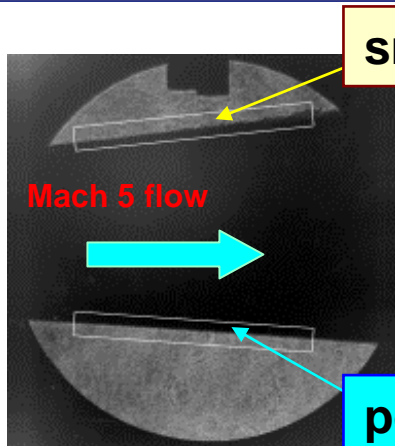
- **Gain new insights into flow physics**



# Boundary Layer Laminarization by Ultrasonically Absorbing Coating (UAC)



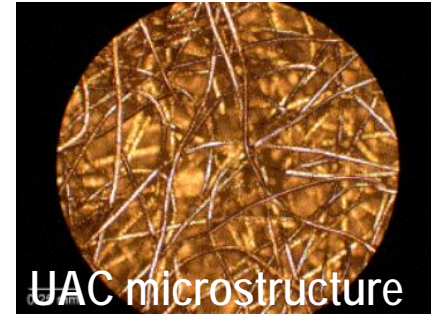
Premature transition reduces efficiency of propulsion system and aerodynamic control surfaces



smooth surface



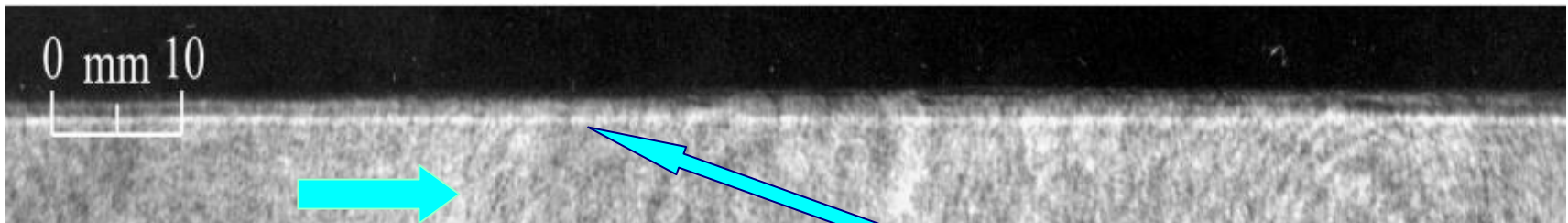
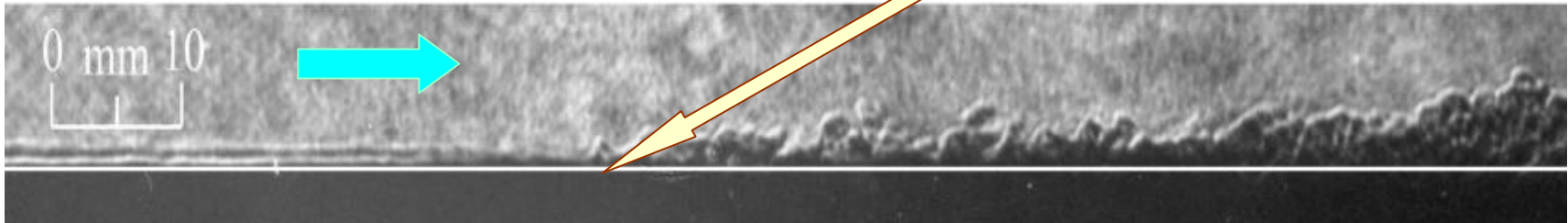
half coated model



UAC microstructure

porous (UAC) surface

Transition on smooth surface



By increasing the laminar run from 20% to 80% it is feasible to decrease gross vehicle take-off weight by factor of 2

Laminar flow on porous surface

Laminarization initially predicted using variant of Orr-Sommerfeld stability theory

Dr. N. Malmuth, Teledyne



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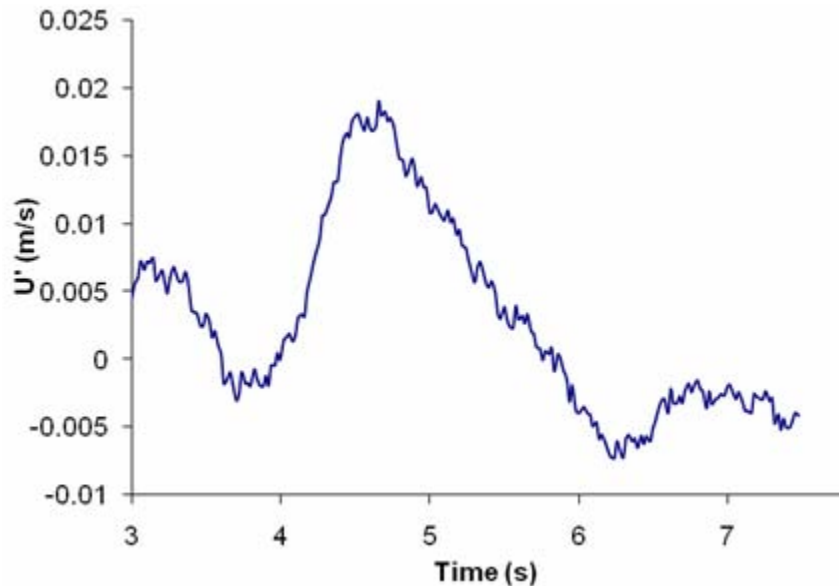
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  - **Example: Ultrasonically Absorbing Coating (UAC)**
- **Develop novel integration methodologies**
  - **Low order model representation**
  - **Incorporate PIV as initial condition in CFD**



# Study of Heat Transfer Augmentation under Large-Scale Freestream Turbulence\*

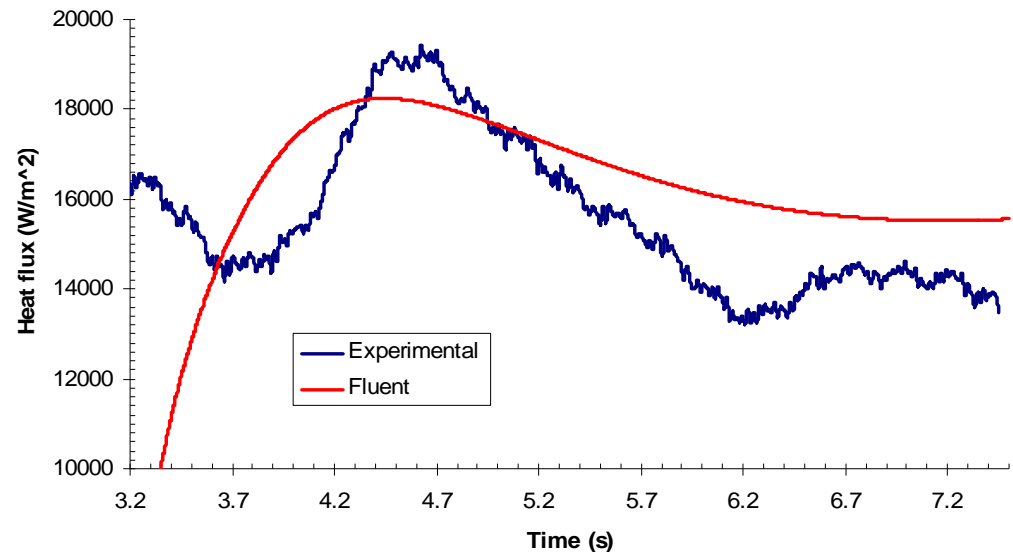


## Time-Resolved DPIV Measurements of 2-D Velocity Field Normal to a Plate



Vlachos, VA Tech (2007)

## Time-Resolved Simulation of Experimental Heat Transfer



Experimental velocity used as initial condition for CFD model to predict the time-resolved wall heat flux



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  - **Incorporate PIV as initial condition in CFD**
- **Cut time & cost for technology development/transition**
  - **Use TFD, CFD for parameter sweep to refine EFD reqmts**
  - **Incorporate UAV flight test data**
- **Enable multi-scale analysis and design**
  - **Move from low to high  $Re\#$**
  - **Incorporate lower order techniques for design**



# Integrated Fluid Dynamics: Methodology



- **Integration can occur on many levels**
- **Goal is to move beyond CFD-EFD data comparison**
- **Take advantage of strengths of TFD, EFD, CFD**
  - **TFD seems under-utilized but may provide great insight**
  - **Once validated, CFD can be used for numerical “experiments”**
  - **Flight test**
- **Low  $Re\#$  flows allow max use of analysis tools**
- **Innovation key for successful integration**



# Future Directions/Emphasis



- **Encourage PIs to creatively integrate analysis tools**
  - **Funded efforts must address IFD**
  - **Collaboration crucial for success**
- **Establish successful case studies for methodology**
  - **Emphasize IFD process used to get results**
  - **Organize focused reviews/workshops/conferences**
  - **Adopt standard procedures for successful IFD**
- **Utilize national data repository to enable IFD analysis**